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ABERNATHY TO FACE CHARGES

Coalition Leaders Remain In Jail

Black leaders throughout Memphis have cited relationship between the arrest of Black Leaders here in Memphis and the action taken against Black Panthers in Chicago and Los Angeles.

Rev. James Lawson said, "There seems to be a national attempt to suppress and harass poor and the Black community. Here in Memphis the issuing of fugitive warrants and arrest of Black leaders in the Community is only one method of suppression. He stated, "in Memphis we are fighting for our rights through non-violent means. The system cannot use guns against us so they attempt to twist the law. They'd rather have us pick up guns, it would make their jobs easier."

Lance "Sweet Willie" Wine, Watson chairman of the militant invaders said, "This is just another method of suppression by the system. I was aware that this type of action would come down, so I used discretion in my statements on the school board because in my experience I find that whitey is ruthless."

Newly appointed NAACP attorney Nathaniel Jones who arrived in Memphis last Monday said, "It has become necessary to fight Memphis' methods of law enforcement because it can become a dangerous form of suppression."

Some members of the Black community feel the action taken by the city of Memphis is only the prelude to suppression compared as one observer put it, "To pre-war Nazi Germany's suppression against the Jews," a recent statement released by those being held in County Jail said, "We protest the pound of flesh that the city Government must have to please a small percentage of white Memphians all of whose affections encourage racism (Nazi Germany), tyranny (Spain) and political oppression (Russia)."

The statement continued, "The real strength we possess in our economic power. The power structure of this city can

be reached and changed by the withholding of our buying power."

In Chicago and several other large urban areas the methods of a Black Christmas are used as protest, the leaders of the Black Coalition have suggested the same effort. Those black leaders being held in County Jail have given the same support to such an effort here, "We urge you to prepare for a true Black Christmas in which you celebrate the birth of Christ, but keep your money in your pocket. We believe that Black people, using nonviolence — which is true militancy in brotherhood with all people of goodwill, working for a new society, will sooner or later succeed in making Memphis and our nation a society in which peace shall become the eternal and the sweetest fruit of true and lasting justice."

Those who desired to stay in jail rather than pay \$100 bail bond were Rev. Ezekiel Bell, head of the Black Coalition; Jesse Epps, head of the AFSCME; Milton Guetue, Rev. James M. Lawson, pastor of Centenary Methodist Church and Rev. W. Blackburn, pastor of Clayborn Temple.

Those remaining in jail said in a signed statement: "We do not know how long we will have to be here. But we are prepared to spend Christmas in jail, if necessary; to stay until the New Year, if that is necessary."

It continued, "We protest the callous arrest and imprisonment of individuals simply because they have exercised their basic constitutional rights. We protest the attempts by government to control the right of the clergy to counsel church members — whether young persons who are students, or adults who are parents."

In reference to parent activity the statement said, "We protest the effort to keep parents from teaching their children true respect for law and justice by participating in nonviolent demonstrations."

Attack McFerren At Somerville

John McFerren, a leader in the civil rights movement in Fayette County and head of the Original Fayette County Welfare League, and I were attacked in the town square on Monday by five young blacks after a Tennessee Highway Patrolman had ignored McFerren's request for assistance.

The five blacks had begun trailing us after we had gotten out of a car and walked two blocks, and then continued following us as we were going to the court house to check on the voter registration turnout for the day, which was said to have

The five men were almost running to keep up, but the fact that they were in sight of a law enforcement officer did not disturb them.

As we got along side of the courthouse, McFerren jumped in front of the Tennessee Highway Patrolman's car, and spread his hands on the officer's radiator.

McFerren ran around to the side of the patrolman's car and said, "Officer, these men are going to attack us."

He replied, "There's nothing that I can do about that. I am working on something else, so



JOHN McFERREN

been mostly blacks.

As we were walking along, one of the group continued calling "Hey John, wait a minute. We want to talk to you." McFerren told me, "Don't answer them. Let's just keep walking."

you will have to go inside and tell the sheriff about it."

The five men were standing by and listening, and as McFerren and I started across the courthouse lawn, one man ran

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REV. RALPH ABERNATHY

Alphas To Celebrate Founders' Day Sunday

Officers and members of Alpha Delta Lambda and Beta Xi Chapters of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. will observe its 63rd Anniversary with a public program on Sunday, December 21, 1969, at 4:00 p.m., at the St. Jude Baptist Church, 983 East Trigg Avenue. The public is invited.

The speaker for this occasion will be the renowned Atty. Bedford V. Lawson, Jr., of Washington, D.C., who is very often referred to as "Mr. Civil Rights," because of his outstanding contributions in the last twenty years in fighting and winning many civil rights for black people in this country. One of the most famous of

his cases being the Elmer W. Henderson, complainant VS. The Southern Railway Company, a corporation, defendant. The case grew out of the complaint by Elmer W. Henderson, who was traveling, in 1942, as a first class passenger on the Southern Railway from Washington, D.C., to Atlanta, Ga., of discrimination and refusal of dining car accommodations equal to those provided for white passengers and this was in violation of the Interstate Commerce Act and the Fourteenth Amendment. He also served as General President of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc., for several years.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the first and oldest Negro College Fraternity, was founded December 4, 1906 at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. It is now interracial with three hundred ninety-eight graduate, intermediate and undergraduate chapters operating in forty-seven states, Liberia, Ber-

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Mallory Knights Sell TSD For Needy Causes

The Mallory Knights Charitable Organization will sell Tri-State Defenders this Saturday to raise money for their Christmas Fund drive. The purpose of which is to acquire money to feed needy children on Christmas Day and during the holidays.

This remarkable organization is headed by Mr. Harry L. Strong.

Mallory Knights' secretary, Miss Rosie Thomas said, "To see Harry Strong on the street, one might get the idea that he is just one happy go lucky fellow, who hasn't got a care in the world, but to see him working in his office to meet a Christmas deadline to feed many hungry families is a different story."

Miss Thomas describes her boss as a dedicated hard working humanitarian. Sometimes he will take a day or two weeks off from his job to raise money or help needy families and "all he gets is gratitude."

Mr. James Odie Panell, young member of the Mallory Knights Charitable Organization describes Strong as a lover of children. Mr. Jones said, "His great joy is giving to children."

Mr. Strong was quoted as saying "If the U.S. would spend as much time on poverty as they spend on getting men to the moon we'd have a better community for all citizens in the world. Then poverty wouldn't be such a problem."

Miss Thomas stated, "We have a limited staff and limited funds, think of what we could do if the entire community would support us."

"Most people think of what they are going to buy their children on Christmas, Strong thinks of what they are going to eat."

Mr. Panell quoted Mr. Strong "Your contribution will insure the poor people, that they will have food if nothing else for Christmas. When this is accomplished we can be proud and thank God for a job well done. Remember that God Bless a cheerful giver. When this is done all of us can sit down and say we have had a truly and merry Christmas."

Harry L. Strong, director of the Mallory Knights Charitable, Inc., said that this is the type of spirit that we hope will

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Charged Under Antiquated Law

The Memphis Chapter southern Christian Leadership Conference announces that the Rev. Ralph David Abernathy, President of SCLC will arrive here Thursday December 18, 1969 to surrender himself to police authorities. Rev. Abernathy has been indicted by the Shelby County Grand Jury for his participation in the recent school issue.

The Rev. Abernathy is inviting ministers and friends of all denominations to march with him Thursday evening to the Shelby County Jail where he will join the Rev. James M. Lawson, an old friend of his from the early stages of SCLC. Rev. Lawson is called the architect of the non-violent structure of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and is pastor of Centenary United Methodist Church; the Rev. Ezekiel Bell, pastor of Parkway Gardens Presbyterian Church, and president of the newly formed Memphis Chapter SCLC; Father Milton Guthrie, Director of the St. Anthony Catholic Center and the Rev. Malcom D. Blackburn, pastor of Clayborne Temple AME Church.

Jesse Epps, Special Assistant to the international president of the American State County Municipal Employees of America was released Sunday in order to go out of town for union business in our cities.

Rev. Abernathy and the others have been placed under injunction for their participation in the demonstrations in support of the NAACP demands on the Memphis Board of Education. Rev. Abernathy also came to Memphis to support the workers at St. Joseph Hospital who are seeking AFSCME union recognition at the hospital.

The following open letter is from Rev. Abernathy.

"My dear Brother in Christ: As I am writing you this letter, I am reminded that some 'respectable' citizens in the city of Memphis made accusations against Paul and Silas that caused them to be jailed — 'these people are causing a disturbance in our city'. Acts 16: 19-20. Your own fellow ministers in the Gospel, Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr., Fr. Milton Guthrie, Rev. Ezekiel Bell and Rev. Malcom D. Blackburn are now imprisoned in the Shelby County Jail. They have remained in jail since submitting to

arrest Wednesday December 10, to protest the attempts by Memphis authorities to control the right of the clergy to counsel church members whether they are young persons who are students or adults who are parents.

As a result of my participation with my friends in your city's current Civil Rights struggle, an indictment for my arrest has been issued by the Shelby County Grand Jury. This is just another in a series of attempts in a tidal wave that is sweeping our nation. I am referring to the effort on the part of the power structure in this country to restrict black men from speaking out against injustice and inequality. It is a crying shame that every time men of goodwill issue loud verbal cries against the indignities inflicted on their fellow human beings the power structure comes up with a new law or regulation in an attempt to keep them in their places.

Memphis is still trying to isolate itself in a shell and withdraw into its own dark desolate world where it can oppress people who are concerned about truth and justice. My fellow brothers in Christ, we are without a doubt in a dark deep midnight hour.

In past midnight hours men have sought to improve their inhumane conditions by reaffirming their faith in God the Father Almighty. After this affirmation of faith it is mandatory that one goes forward into battle to meet this challenge like a man. In the tradition of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference made manifest by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I will be in Memphis on Thursday December 18, 1969. I will arrive via Eastern Airline Flight No. 395 at 2:15 in the afternoon.

I humbly solicit your presence at Clayborne Temple and ask you to march with me to Shelby County Jail where I will submit myself to arrest. Remember that Jesus Christ was crucified because of His unwillingness to bow to an evil system. Martin Luther King, Jr., was murdered in your city of Memphis, because he refused to bow to injustices. Being among the least of these, I now submit myself to the jails of Memphis for the

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Farmer, 61, Is Slain After Killing Deputy

A 61-year-old Fayette County farmer was shot to death last Thursday night after he had shot and killed a deputy sheriff in his home at Warren, Tenn. Bennie "Shoate" Wilson shot and killed one deputy and was shot a short while later, but was seen by a daughter-in-law still alive and on his knees moaning.

Several deputies reportedly came to Mr. Wilson's home about 10 p.m. last Thursday night and then asked him if Bennie Wilson, Jr., was there, and he replied that he was not. The officers then searched the house and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. John Wilson said that she heard conversation continue.

Then, Mrs. Wilson said she heard what sounded like firecrackers going off, one behind the other, came out of her room a short while later, and saw her father-in-law on his knees wounded, and the deputy sheriff lying in the hall with his forehead shot away and blood and brains splattered on the ceiling and the man lying in a pool of blood. She said that the deputies conferred with one another,

and that they went back into the room where Mr. Wilson had been shot.

Later that night he was brought out of the room with a sheet covering him.

Some persons who later viewed his body at the funeral home said that the black farmer's eye had been knocked out, and that he had been stabbed in the chest and cut on other sections of his body.

It was reported that Mr. Wilson was a man who minded his own affairs, and was abused by the officers on an earlier visit and vowed that he would kill someone or get killed if that happened again.

His victim was reported to have been overbearing with blacks in the county, and had killed a young Negro since joining the Sheriff's staff.

Mr. Wilson owned two farms in Fayette County, which amounted to about 100 acres, raised about everything he needed for his family, and owed only one small debt for some improvement on his home.

Funeral services for Mr. Wilson were to be held in Somerville on Wednesday.



BEFORE THEIR ARREST — Just before the 19 persons indicted by the Shelby County Grand Jury surrendered by marching to the Shelby County Jail, they held a press conference in the Minimum Salary Building. Seated from left are Jesse Epps, a union official; Mrs. Maxine A.

Smith, NAACP branch executive secretary; the Rev. Ezekiel Bell, president of the Black Coalition and the Memphis chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference; the Rev. P.L. Rowe, pastor of First Baptist Chelsea; and the Rev. H. L. Starks, pastor of St. James AME Church.

Aid The Poor By Giving To MKCO's Xmas Fund!

U.S. Urges 'Biafra' To Accept Daylight Red Cross Airlifts

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — The United States has urged the leadership of rebel eastern Nigeria to agree promptly to Red Cross daylight relief flights after Nigeria promised not to seek a military advantage through the airlift.

A state department spokesman, Carl Barch, issued a statement declaring the United States was gratified to learn of the new Nigerian assurances, which were publicly announced.

"In making this further statement," Barch said, "the Ni-

gerian government has again evidenced its readiness to meet its humanitarian responsibility to support the humanitarian mission of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

"We therefore hope the 'Biafran' leadership will accept these assurances as meeting their security concerns and will agree promptly to International Committee of the Red Cross daylight flights to meet the urgent need of the helpless victims of the Nigerian war."

Although the people living under Odemegwu Ojukwu are

in great need of relief supplies, until now their leadership has been unwilling to agree to daylight relief flights to their small landing strip at ULL. They have maintained that Nigeria might tailgate the Red Cross relief aircraft and bomb the air field and other installations.

Without daylight relief flights, private relief groups, including various church organizations, have been flying relief supplies to the rebels by night.

But these night flights have not provided adequate relief supplies.

College Queen To Be Crowned Thursday Night

Students of LeMoyné-Owen College have elected a new campus queen and the crowning of the "Miss L-O of 1970" was scheduled for this Thursday night, Dec. 18, at a coronation ball in the Chisca-Plaza ballroom.

Enthusiastic students selected a new "Miss LeMoyné-Owen" by popular vote Dec. 15, but the name of the winner was to remain a secret until Thursday night.

The winner is either Mary Baptist or Neely Hurd, both juniors. They were the only contestants.

The two young ladies were presented in fashion and talent shows, for benefit of students, last week.

NATIONAL HOTLINE By Diggs Datrooth

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WASHINGTON—A behind the scenes maneuver avoided an intra-party fight over the seat being vacated after this session in Congress. Alderman Ralph Metcalf got the official party blessing along with Alderman George Collins. This will mean two black representatives from Illinois — both based in Chicago. State Senator Cecil Pardee, who seemed to have the organization's blessing earlier, bowed out after a conference. . . . The recent hassles over racism in Cuba and the split among the Black Panthers over Eldridge Cleaver's failure to speak out against it, points up what the massacres in My Lai indicate. No one country has a corner on either virtue or sin. The militant,

but idealistic Panthers expected to find all peaches and cream in the revolutionized Cuba under Castro. Americans still can't bring themselves to believe that "our fine young men" did those awful things. . . . Would you believe that there were some Brothers contacted in that GOP poll showing support for Veep Agnew?

INSIDE STUFF: Frank D. Reeves, the Howard U. law professor, is putting together details for an election of a citizen's board for a pilot police district in the city. Reeves, who is better known nationally as a staunch Demo campaigner, was named by the District Corporation Counsel Charles T. Duncan. He is the son of Todd Duncan, the noted singer. . . . As if poor fathers didn't have enough to bug them in Maryland, that state's Public Service Commission has moved to give the womenfolk "economy priced" telephones. The Commission has tacked on this provision to the company's application for a rate increase. There is a similar proposal afoot in New York and California. . . . The Interstate Commerce Commission has again denied a black St. Louis firm's application to operate a trucking company in all 50 states. The ICC rejected the application of Allstate American Van Lines for the second time.

CHIT CHATTER: Julian Bond is not disturbed one bit about the FBI checks on the firm he is a member of. The check started after two white lawmakers suggested that there was a conflict of interest in a \$158,000 contract from OEO. Bond, who is the brightest thing on the political horizon in the South, knows he has committed no wrong, he is telling intimates. . . . When Walter Lewis walked out as director for the Urban Coalition here, it was the third director to quit the shaky structure. Lewis, who goes to American university as dean of the College of Continuing Education, hardly got his feet wet in the agency designed to solve the District's urban problems. . . . When Linwood Corbett bowed out of the Virginia state race, it paved the way for the election of Laurence Douglas Wilder and proved the effectiveness of Virginia Negroes to come together on a political issue. . . . The fight to extradite Robert Williams from Michigan to North Carolina is not attracting the attention as expected. Williams, who is a fugitive on a kidnapping charge, remains in Detroit.

ASHES TO ASHES: Ashville, Alabama natives are that stirred because the Black Muslims plan to establish an agriculture farm on their land. Elijah Muhammad has purchased 1,000 acres of farm land from two white men, one of whom is a state senator. Representatives told Hotline that not only was there to be a "legal" fight to block Elijah, there would also be a "proper" fight at the polls. . . . 'Tis a sad day for the boozers: Liquor prices in the District's retail stores have risen 10 cents on a fifth. It is due to an increased cost of operation by the dealers. It could go higher if certain distilleries raise their prices as anticipated. . . . While President Nixon was entertaining the aged at a White House Thanksgiving dinner, Mayor Walter Washington had his own "thing" going with senior citizens in the District. . . . Dr. Channing Phillips, who got on the ballot at the Democratic National Committee, is in quite demand for speaking engagements around the country.

PRE-HOLIDAY SNACKS: When Jim Nabrit walked off the podium the other night after 1,000 paid final tribute to him, he whispered to a friend, how pleased he really was at the outpouring of supporters. Even as he spoke, the new president of Howard was dealing with a sit-in and boycott from his home where he is convalescing. Dr. James Cheek who held the bright ray of hope for handling the dissidents at the university, has not returned to his desk from a serious hospitalization, yet students were demanding the head of the medical school. . . . Federal Reserve Governor Andy Brimmer is saying what the administration said earlier: That inflation can't be curbed without a rise in unemployment. Unlike the administration, Andy isn't applauding the idea. There are still friends of Andy who wonder what happened to that beautiful Look magazine spread on him that showed up in some magazines and not in others — even in the same towns.

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Nixon's Conference On Hungar Called Sham By Lance 'Wine' Watson

Lance Watson Chairman and strategist of the Black Militant Organization the Invaders accused members of the White House Conference of Genocidal tactics. This accusation was only in many made by Mr. Watson and other Black, white and Mexicans who took part in the Conference.

The most Dramatic event of the conference said Mr. Watson was the coalition of Blacks, Chicanos and Appalachian whites who demanded that the President act now to feed the Hungry! We gave him a deadline of Dec. 24," said Watson. The Coalition then adopted a proposal by the Mexican American group of La Raza to "Stay in" the Park-Sheraton Hotel or elsewhere in Washington until action is taken.

Watson said, "In one conference a group of white people were discussing legalized abortions for black women in other words, they were not discussing hunger but murder and Genocide." He said, "The Nixon administration is bent on Genocide through Birth Control and the use of food which will stagnate the brain. "The political clout" said Mr. Watson was developed by the National Welfare Rights Organization, which started what some

observers call an extraordinary plenary session.

During the conference-attended by more than 2,500 delegates and observers - the coalition made two demands, "Food now and a guaranteed adequate income of \$5,500 for a family of four."

One observer said, "Not since the faltering attempts to forge a melding of the three predominant poverty groups in the country by the Poor People's Campaign has there been a concentrated attempt to bring the disadvantaged together."

Mr. Watson said he was most impressed by the actions of Miss Fanny Lou Hamer of Mississippi who sounding the battle cry "In unity their is strength."

One observer said obvious concern was shown by the administration over the impatient mood of the militants groups at the conference, which was shown by the stepped-up detail of law officers. Included in these were Secret Service, plus retired drafted police officers and other plainclothes detachments patrolled the hotel and assembled rooms with walkie-talkies crackling out reports and instructions.

Mrs. Johnnie Tillman of Los Angeles, national chairman of NWRO, presided at the meeting. Sharing the platform were such dignitaries as Rev. Ralph David Abernathy, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Senator Eugene McCarthy of Minnesota and Mrs. Philip Hart, wife of the Senator from Michigan.

The Black Caucus demands were read by Ernest Haywood, a black student at the University of Texas. The demands also included free school lunches and breakfasts, the former of which Mr. Watson and the Invaders have organized.

Spokesman for the Chicanos, and one of the initiators of a fast by many delegates, called for a declared state of emergency, with free food stamps, echoing a similar appeal by Rev. Abernathy.

Speaking for the Appalachian was Steve Haywood a young white man from Pinewood, Ky., who stated, "We are the Great American Paradox," he continued. "The question is asked, 'How can you be poor and white?' His answer was that millions of whites in the area stretching from Pennsylvania to Alabama are as much exploited by the Establishment as disadvantaged black, Indians, Mexican-Americans and Puerto Ricans. He called for representation of poor whites on the final drafting of the report to go to President Nixon.

Watson said some 650 delegates turned in their meal tickets amounting to more than \$4,000 and that a refund would be asked from the hotel for this.

Rev. Ralph Abernathy sent a strong letter to President Nixon asking him to use all of his executive power now, without waiting on Congress to end Hunger by Thanksgiving, 1970. "You can do this with a pen," said Abernathy.

Missionary Women Meet At Ward Chapel

The South Memphis District Missionary Institute met on Monday, Dec. 8, at the Ward Chapel AME Church and was opened with Mrs. M. R. Todd, the president, in charge.

The devotion was given by Mrs. Audrey Talliaferro, and a visiting guest, Mrs. Luriel Place was introduced by Mrs. Eula Fisher.

Mrs. Place is well versed in parliamentary procedure and gave the Institute some points on the subject.

A committee was appointed to set up a class in parliamentary procedure with Mrs. Place as the teacher.

Mrs. V. A. Sherman is reporter.

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Ground-Breaking Will Be Friday For The Yellow Fever Memorial

Ground-breaking for the Yellow Fever Memorial will be held Friday, December 19, 1969 at 1:30 p.m., in Martyrs Park, Georgia Street and the Mississippi River.

The Ecumenical sequentennial project, representative of the Memphis community now and at the time of the devastating epidemics, will be of great interest to people who see the need of appreciation, recognition and education in a variety of fields: spiritual, historical, aesthetic and community service.

On hand to participate in the ground-breaking ceremony, giving a brief statement, will be: Most Reverend Joseph A. Durick, Roman Catholic Bishop of Tennessee; Very Reverend W. A. Dimmick, Dean, St. Mary's Cathedral; Rabbi James A. Wax, Temple Israel; Rev. Blair T. Hunt, Pastor, Mississippi Blvd. Christian Church; Edward F. Barry, Yellow Fever Memorial Committee; Father Nicholas Vieron, Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation; Dr. Hollis Price, president, Le Moyne College; Sister H. Rita, O.S.F., Franciscan Sisters, St. Joseph Hospital; Sister Adrian Marie Hofstetter, O.P., Dominican Sisters, Siena College; Mrs. Alex D. Ann, Memphis Families & Service Group; Judge Harry C. Pierotti, Chairman Memphis Park Commission; Fred P. Gattas, Finance Chairman, Yellow Fever Memorial Committee; Monsignor Joseph E. Leppert, Vice-Chairman, Yellow Fever Memorial Committee, Closing Prayer; and Dr. Aaron Boom, Chairman Yellow Fever Memorial Committee, master of ceremonies.

The model of the sculpture to be completed in two months, will be displayed by Harris Sorrelle. The Memphis City Beautiful Commission is co-operating in the project as the project was begun in that office while Mrs. Robert Shafer was chairman of the Commission.

(Mrs. Shafer and several members of the past and present Commission are on the Yellow Fever Memorial Committee.

It is estimated there are about 200 Martyrs included in the group being memorialized. There were 19 Catholic priests, 3 lay brothers, 23 Catholic nuns; 10 Protestant clergy, 4 Anglican nuns, 3 Jewish leaders, Howard Association 12, Citizens Relief Committee 50, policemen 10, firemen 37, military 18, physicians and nurses 40, postal and telegraph workers 18. These heroes and heroines gave their lives serving about 5,000 people who died in the 1878 epidemic. This, the last of several epidemics, was considered to be the worst.

The city with a population of 55,000 lost 35,000 who fled the area because of fear and dread of the fever.

Of the 20,000 remaining, 6,000 were white and 70 per cent of them died; Negro population was 13,600 and of that number about 7 per cent died. The city was devastated and bankrupt; it became a taxing district dependent upon outside aid for survival. Panic and scare took possession of the people - the city was a source of national alarm.

Yet many people seeing the

need, gave their lives or risked them serving the community and rebuilding it. One of the writers of the day said, "A catholic universal spirit of charity was manifested. The plague did develop the grandest attributes of our common humanity."

The Memorial project seems to be a timely reminder while there was some dissent, in a time of crisis the people came together without regard for race, religion, or economic status. From all walks of life, even from the houses of ill-repute, they came to serve and to try to solve the problems confronting them.

The sculpture will stand on a rise on the historic Chickasaw Bluff, a silhouette against the sky. It will be a striking landmark near the site of the first settlement, called at that time, Fort Assumption. The Finance Drive is only \$3,500.00 short of the goal of \$15,000.00 and Mr. Sorrelle has begun work on the sculpture in his studio. It will be erected in two months, the foundation will be made soon after the ground-breaking.

Anyone wishing to send contributions or memorials may address them to the Yellow Fever Memorial c/o A. M. Sommers, P. O. Box 131, Memphis 38101.



MEET 'MISS UNCF' — Miss Christy Faye Clark, a senior at LeMoyn-Owen College, is the new "Miss UNCF" of the campus. She topped three other coeds in a fund-raising contest for the United Negro College Fund. She will appear in the national Miss UNCF pageant with 35 other campus winners, Feb. 6, 1970, at Detroit, Mich. Miss Clark is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joel C. Clark of 1767 Bismark.

of WHEN. However, my parents look upon divorce as the most disgraceful crime ever committed. I really don't know what to do. Miserable.

Dear Miserable: Divorce is something which should never be taken lightly, but I think real emphasis should be laid upon the seriousness with which we undertake marriage in the first place. Sometimes, even when a marriage begins with every apparent prospect

of success, however, people develop differently and find themselves over a period of years, unable to live together in harmony. When that happens it seems to me that there is nothing to do but resort to a divorce. It is better, I think to make the inevitable adjustment and separate hoping that both you and your husband may find companionship and love with someone else, or that both of you may make a life alone, something worth living.

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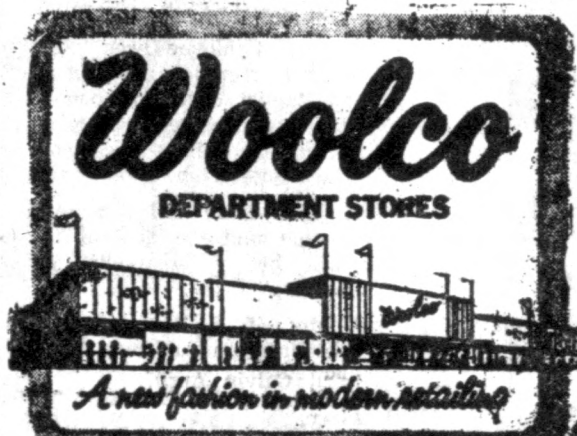
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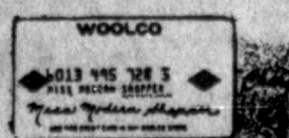
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LeMoyn-Owen College's annual community Christmas party has been scheduled for Friday, Dec. 19. More than 30 families have been invited to participate.

The affair will begin at 4 p.m. in Second Congregational Church, across the street from the campus, with the college choir rendering a Christmas concert. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. Reuben Green, will feature

program. Students and faculty members will deliver baskets of food to about 30 needy families Saturday, Dec. 20, according to the Rev. Edward Quellette and Dr. William Fletcher, faculty members serving as co-chairmen of the affair.

Names of the needy families are submitted to the college by various welfare agencies.

The Christmas party is made possible by gifts from faculty, staff and student organizations.

Many of the students, including members of the college's basketball team, will serve as escorts for the visiting families of the community. They also will help fill and deliver the baskets.



SHOWING THANKS — Members of the Beau Brummells Social Club showed their appreciation on Thanksgiving Day by giving food to the less fortunate, and delivered baskets of food to needy families. Club members are James Massey, president; John Rose, vice president; Ernest

Massey, secretary; Wilson Massey, business manager; B. A. Rose and Johnnie Hurley, assistant business managers; Jimmie L. Croft, chaplain; R. B. Deloney, sergeant-at-arms; and Onnie Massey, Jr., treasurer.

Baptists' Annual Tea Will Be Held Jan. 25

Plans are underway for the West Hall of Ellis Auditorium, Jan. 25, from 4 to 6 p.m.

Mrs. Nancy Givands, coordinator, and the Rev. Ben L. Hooks, chairman, agree that the upcoming tea will be "the biggest and best."

The tea was launched 12 years ago for the purpose of raising funds for Owen Junior College, now merged with LeMoyn-Owen. Proceeds from the Dec. 25 affair will go to LeMoyn-Owen.

Memphis Baptist Pastors' Alliance and cooperating Baptist churches in Shelby County.

The LeMoyn-Owen Alumni Club of Memphis will join about 35 Baptist churches sponsoring tables for the tea, according to Willis T. Miles, president of the alumni club.

Each table will represent a nation and the general theme will be: "Christianity Takes a Tour."

Mrs. M. L. Robinson will be the program chairman, and Calvin April.

Desegregated Schools Gain

WASHINGTON — An official U. S. report was released at the opening of the 1969 school year, which is witnessing more desegregation, at once, than at any moment since the Supreme Court outlawed dual school systems in 1954.

Leon E. Panetta, director of the Office for Civil Rights, said:

He said that 238 school districts are due to implement voluntary desegregation plans which will eliminate the dual school system this fall compared with 55 school districts last year.

Panetta said an additional 109 districts' desegregation plans which call for complete desegregation in 1970, also include substantial desegregation steps this year.

"I think a survey like the one just submitted by our Atlanta office can help to convince many people who will experience desegregation for the first time that it is a valuable as well as legal aspect of education, and that it is a better experience with the passage of time," Panetta said.

Leontyne Price Library Dedicated At Rust's 103d Birthday

Miss Leontyne Price (Metro-Asbury). The school was supported by the Freedmen's Aid Society and the Methodist Church. It was established to provide the fundamentals of education for the newly liberated slaves. It was named for

During the dedication ceremony Director of Development of the Freedmen's Aid Society, Mr. Charles E. Holmes, said of Miss Price, "In spite of the adulation she receives and the excitement of her career, she cherishes her inheritance with its tradition of hard work, disciplined living and deep religious faith. In March 1967 she sang a benefit concert for Rust College in the Mississippi College at Jackson; when Rust's Upward Thrust Campaign made a library building its first major role, she accepted the co-chairmanship for that project. On October 20, 1968 she participated in the groundbreaking ceremony for the library and she is with us today to see this building dedicated."

Tearfully Miss Price said to the audience, "It is an honor it was to have a building named after you," she also spoke of how much she loved Mississippi. Following tears the eye of Students, Faculty and Administration staff as well as the audience.

Mr. Holmes told the audience, "her desire to help Rust College stems from the fact that her mother was a student here and carried away pleasant memories of her experiences. Another factor is involved, however, her first feeling that the gift entrusted to her is not hers alone. When she was young, ambitious and far from wealth, she was given guidance, encouragement and help as she sought the training she needed, now, she feels it is her turn to give encouragement and aid to others, 'I never doubt God's power in all this,' she says."

This event took place on the 103 Year of Rust College Foundation. The College was founded in 1866 when the Rev. A. C. McDonald, a minister from the North came to Holly Springs and opened a school in the little Negro Church (forerunner of present-day and two dormitories.

in improving both the physical plant and the academic standards. When the College celebrated its Centennial, the observance included the dedication of three completely modern, air conditioned buildings—the McDonald Science Hall

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AT TRAINING SESSION — Five young women and two young men are seen at a recent training session at the Delta Education Corporation. On photo are David Hall, Eddie McKinnie, Miss Barbara Jean Moore, Miss Vera

Holman, Miss Dorothy Hill, Miss Irene Murray and Mrs. Edna Moss. All are now employed at a downtown department store.

Five Young Women Begin Sales Careers During Busy Season

Five young women who were unemployed a few short weeks ago are helping last-minute shoppers with their gift-buying problems at a downtown department store, and are making new careers in saleswork.

Not too long ago, some of the young women were finding it difficult to locate employment on a regular basis; in fact, one said the only thing that she was doing for pay was baby-sitting.

The five women are Miss Barbara Jean Moore, 677 Honduras rd.; Miss Vera Holman, 1190-D Tunica; Miss Dorothy Hill, 3050 Shannon st.; Miss Irene Murray, 2453 Douglass; and Mrs. Edna Moss of 416 Jacklyn, all employed as clerks with the Goldsmith's, Department Store.

They along with two young men, Eddie McKinnie of 1265 James st. and David Hall of 1245 Firestone, were trained recently at the Delta Education Corporation for their jobs at the store.

Miss Moore was graduated with the 1967 class of Mitchell High School, but until she was placed by Delta she said her search for employment had carried her to no successful job.

Working as a mail clerk at a recording firm had been the

biggest thing Miss Holman had been able to find, but through MAP-South, an anti-poverty agency, she was referred to the Delta Education Corporation for training and a regular job. She completed high school in the evenings at Booker T. Washington High.

Miss Hill was employed part-time at a supermarket for two years after graduating from Douglass High School.

"The only thing I had been able to find before coming here was baby-sitting, and I didn't want to continue at that," she said happily.

For the first year after graduating from Melrose High School Miss Murray had worked as a teacher's aide, and then for a short while during last year's Christmas season she was a sales clerk at Goldsmith's.

Then one day she saw one of her former teachers, Fred Brown, who is also a personnel counselor for Goldsmith's and he steered her to Delta by way of MAP-South, and her present job.

Mrs. Moss said she had been employed at a beauty parlor, "but I wanted to try something different." Mr. Brown also steered her to the training program at Delta Education Corporation.

Mr. McKinnie, who is 23, said he dropped out of high school when he was in the eleventh grade, but is happy at the progress he is making at the store, and may go back to finish his high school work so that he may make more advancements.

Mr. Hall, who attended Manassas High School, said it was just through luck that he landed his present job delivering merchandise.

"I just happened to be in front of the store when Mr. Fred Brown came by and asked me if I wanted a job. I was downtown shopping at the time, and I was certainly happy he picked me out of the crowd."

Mr. Hall said that he had been working but had been laid off at the time he found his latest job.

MCRC Promotes Chestang

The Michigan Civil Rights Commission has announced the appointment of Edward J. Chestang, Jr., as regional manager of the Detroit area, which includes the district offices of Detroit-East, Detroit-West, Pontiac, and the main MCRC office in Detroit.

Also appointed to assist him were Janet C. Cooper and Mrs. John A. (Denise) Lewis, as assistant regional managers. The Detroit metropolitan area accounts for 65% of all complaints filed in the state.

Responsibilities of the regional manager will include coordination of cases at the regional level, counseling case supervisors and other employees on

HOLLY SPRINGS, Miss. — "Doxey Hall has given us another challenge," said the president of Rust College. He was looking at the still-smoking ruins of the building which had been the home of the Music Department before it was destroyed by fire on December 6. And Rust is accepting the challenge. Its Founder's Day Program and allied activities took place as scheduled December 12-14 even though the fire swept away its only auditorium. The two dormitories and the Leontyne Price Library were dedicated Sunday following a 10:00 a.m. Convocation.

"True, our losses are heavy," President Ernest McMillan agreed. "The building and its contents are a total loss. All of our band instruments are gone. Our organ and all of our pianos except one are lost and all of our music, besides much technical equipment and all the chapel chairs. But these are material losses and can be replaced."

"Our most valuable assets were not lost — voices and musical talents of our students, and the skills of our faculty who teach and lead them. Had we lost any of these we would be sorrowing indeed. But with these intact we can go forward with a confident spirit."

The College Choir will keep its appointment to make an RCA recording with Leontyne Price in January, 1970 at the Nashville studios, said President McMillan. The Male Quintet will continue its giving of

concerts and its appearance on television and radio. "And our young people will continue to be ambassadors of goodwill."

Although classes and rehearsals are continuing in makeshift quarters and all are exerting extra efforts to overcome the handicaps imposed, no time must be lost in getting the Music Department into permanent quarters of its own, he said. There is no room in any other building on campus for the facilities required. The lost building must be replaced by one which will serve the purposes Doxey Hall served, but more efficiently.

Dr. McMillan estimated that the replacement cost of the building and equipment will be \$500,000. This should provide for a practical but adequate building with classrooms, soundproof practice rooms, and a chapel which would double as concert and lecture hall and Little Theatre. The erection of this building must not be delayed, he stressed.

Equipment for instruction and practice must not wait on

the completion of a building, however. The need for instruments, pianos and music is immediate.

Here is an opportunity for the friends of Rust College to rally to her aid in a practical and heartwarming way. With so many immediate needs, large and small, no gift can be too large and none will be too small to be gratefully received.

All gifts should be sent to the Development Office - Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi 38635, and designated for the Music Department.

Mrs. Soni Fetes Marie Baker Club

The Marie Baker Service Club held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Alma Soni recently with the president, Mrs. Nell Osborne, presiding over the business session.

A report was given on the City Federation. A jewelry display and a remembrance of love was sent to a beloved member, Mrs. Lillie Jeffery.

Members present were Miss Maggie Newsom, Mrs. Sara L. Carr, Mrs. Irene Sanders, Mrs. Gertrude Cathey, Mrs. Carrie Mabry, Mrs. Thelma Franklin, Mrs. Ethel Wynn, Mrs. Reola Howard and Miss Birdie C. Lenoir, reporter.

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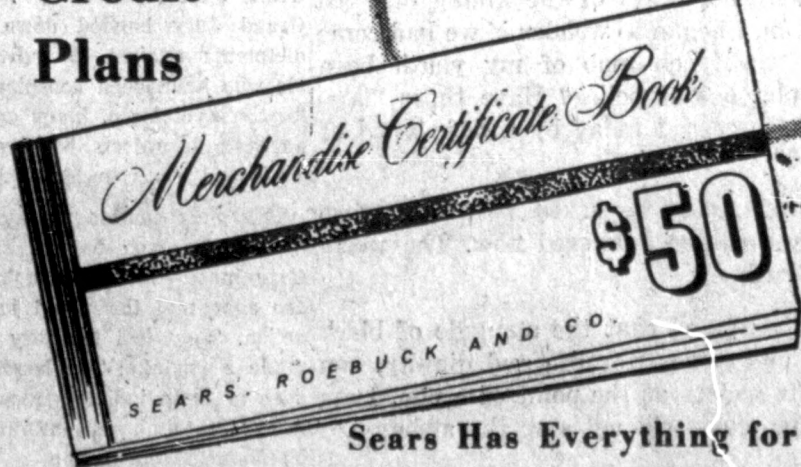
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What is our language? FOteen for fourteen! JOoly for July. DIS for this. Bread for money. Hawk for wind! I could go on. It's true that many of our people have fallen into the habit of poor diction and slang. Many are short on grammar and word usage, simply because they were not educated in the art of verbal communication. That doesn't mean they can't be. Or that they lack the ability to learn.

Let me remind you that we are Americans. English is our language. There is no reason why every other ethnic group can migrate to this country and master English and we, who are born here, can not. Let me squelch for all time the myth that black people have a language all their own. The ability to learn and speak English is well within our capabilities.

Remember that! And remember this, too ... few things have more bearing on the impression we make than how we speak, the words we use and how we use them. This is the age of communication. And you'd better know how!

In a job interview, you very often make it or fall flat on your face the first time you open your mouth. So, start working on your communication system. Do it, and you'll eliminate one more barrier to better jobs for black people. Start by remembering that bread is also something you eat.

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Mitchell-Artful Segregationist

It is coming more and more to the fore that Attorney General Mitchell is the disingenuous spirit behind the retreat from full implementation of school integration. In a suit filed just the day before Thanksgiving, the Nixon Administration was accused of continuing to drag its feet on school desegregation in the South. The suit was brought by three District of Columbia's civil rights attorneys on behalf of Negro parents and pupils in 16 Southern school districts in seven states.

Attorney General John N. Mitchell and Jerris Leonard, chief of the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division, are the principal defendants. The suit is part of a continuing dispute between private and Administration civil rights attorneys over the pace of school desegregation.

In the month since the Supreme Court's "desegregation-at-once" decision, the Justice Department has continued to countenance delays, despite a public promise to see the decision carried out. The suit seeks only a declaratory judgment, a finding that Mitchell

and his subordinates are indeed at fault.

In each of the 16 school districts represented, the Justice Department went to court to bring about desegregation some time ago — before the Court's decision in October — and in all but one the department got desegregation orders. In none of the 16, however, do the current orders call for immediate desegregation, and in some they do not even call for complete desegregation. The Justice Department has filed no appeals from the current orders since the desegregation-at-once decree.

The suit says that these 16 cases are typical of all those—more than 100 — where the Justice Department is the plaintiff in the South. It is indisputable that the Administration does not intend to accelerate the pace of desegregation and obey the orders of the high court. There are sundry and devious ways of delaying action in this crucial matter. And Mitchell is using all of them to carry out his evil design. It is about time he should be exposed and denounced for what he is — a dedicated segregationist in sheep clothing.

U. Of Alabama's Black Athlete

If signing up a black athlete is an index to racial and social progress in the Deep South, then a new day is dawning in the old confederate state of Alabama in whose capital George Wallace, when he was Governor, personally tried to keep a black girl from registering at the University of Alabama, just about five years ago.

Today, matters seem to be taking a different racial twist. Wilbur Jackson, a black football player has been tendered a football scholarship by officials at the University of Alabama. He will become the first Negro football player to sign with Alabama, although it gave a Negro

player a basketball scholarship last year.

Jackson is a 6-foot-1, 185-pound wingback who has attained prominence as a versatile player on his high school football team in the last two seasons. He is said to be aggressive, powerful and elusive.

Alabama has been charged in a federal court suit with failing to recruit black athletes as it does white athletes. Of all probability, the suit will be dropped if Jackson is given a football scholarship as announced by Alabama Sunday newspapers. This may well be a sign that race barriers are beginning to crumble. Or is this unjustified optimism?

Blacks Threaten British Politics

The stir which Enoch Powell, the irrefragable racist Englishman, caused in Britain last year, may have conditioned British thought to the extent of having a psychological effect on the forthcoming election.

Though driven out of his own party for his bold anti-Negro stand, he was never silenced on the issue of race which is looming with greater prominence in British life.

Seizing on vital statistics released by the British Ministry of Health and Social Security, Powell is predicting that, in a generation or even less, entire urban areas in Britain could become wholly "alien territory."

The figures for March and April show that in 11 of London's 12 inner boroughs black immigrant births are running at one in every five. In some areas, they average nearly one in three. Powell's opponents criticize his remarks as unduly inflammatory and likely to provoke racism in areas which have hitherto enjoyed good race relations.

They contend that those figures may represent only a temporary

bulge and that the tendency among blacks on acquiring British mores is to have a lower rate of reproduction.

Powellites, however, quickly point to Bradford where the black birth rate soared from 3.5 percent in 1961 to 23 percent last year. Politicians are using this as argument to make the British more aware of the ultimate political meaning of an increasingly large black population. They point to the success attained by American blacks in their bid for power in various U. S. municipalities.

Thus, the forthcoming British election will be punctuated by strident cries against black immigrants from Africa and the West Indies. Powell is pushing for restrictive legislation that would drastically limit both work and housing opportunities of the blacks already in Britain.

Though he may not succeed under the present labor government of Prime Minister Harold Wilson, future governments may feel obliged to listen to his racist outline.

THE BIG PARADE

Hampton Tragedy Raises Questions For All America

By LOUIS MARTIN

The slaying of Black Panther Party leader Fred Hampton, under circumstances that have convinced most of our citizens that it was an act of cold-blooded murder, sent an emotional shock wave last week throughout Chicago's vast black community. As this is written, the repercussions from this shock wave are still being felt.



It is ironic that those authorities who seem most determined to destroy the Panther Party are following a course of action that is best calculated to strengthen and extend the influence of the party.

The police are apparently hell bent on proving the Panther thesis, that the cops are really pigs, that they are the mortal enemies of the black and the poor, and that genocide is just around the corner.

Perhaps Oscar Wilde had a point when he suggested that there was no greater sin than stupidity.

For almost two hours, six months ago, I had the chance to question Fred Hampton and to try to find out at first hand what made him the revolutionary that he felt himself to be. Young and vigorous, he had just crossed the threshold of manhood. He was warm and personable, handsome, alert and very articulate.

After stripping away the over-worked rhetoric of his movement, it seemed clear that here was a bright, eager and angry youth still reaching for new knowledge, still searching for new avenues of action that might help make America a better place for black people. Like so many youngsters today, the cruelty of racism, the vicious abuse of the lives and liberties of the black and the poor at every turn, every day, had already seared his soul.

I can still see the frown gathering on his brown, round face when I tried to pin him down on the meaning of some of the abstract terms with which he sprinkled his speech. He was most precise about the evils, the injustices and the cruelties that confront us. It was when he began to bare his convictions on how to right the wrong that he seemed to feel it necessary to fall back on the slogans and canned rhetoric of his party line.

It was obvious that his young mind was still growing, that he was still learning about life and that he had the kind of heart and head that would register and seriously weigh each new experience.

The understanding gleaned during that long interview served to compound for me the tragedy of his horrible death. I felt I knew him.

Upon learning of his slaying, I could not help but recall a double lynching when I was a young boy in Savannah, Ga., over four decades ago. It happened near Darien, about 30 miles away. The first notice was a brief item in the morning paper. Two black men had been hanged on the limb of a sycamore tree.

I can't remember all the circumstances but I can't forget the limb of that tree. A commercial photographer on West Broad Street, who had come originally from the West Indies, drove to the lynching site after the bodies were removed and saved off the limb used for the hangings. Upon his return he put the limb on exhibition on the steps of the Baptist Church at the corner of Bolton and West Broad.

News of what happened spread and everyone wanted to see it. Townspeople from all over, whites as well as blacks, drove or walked by the church, some glancing almost surreptitiously at the crooked limb from the lynching tree. A few stopped and stared.

Shortly thereafter there began to appear statements by some whites and many black preachers and civic leaders, all deploring the outrage and all putting the blame on "lawless whites."

One important white citizen — I think it was the mayor — in expressing his unhappiness also pointed out with some pride that there had never been a lynching in Savannah or Chatham county. Everyone praised law and order.

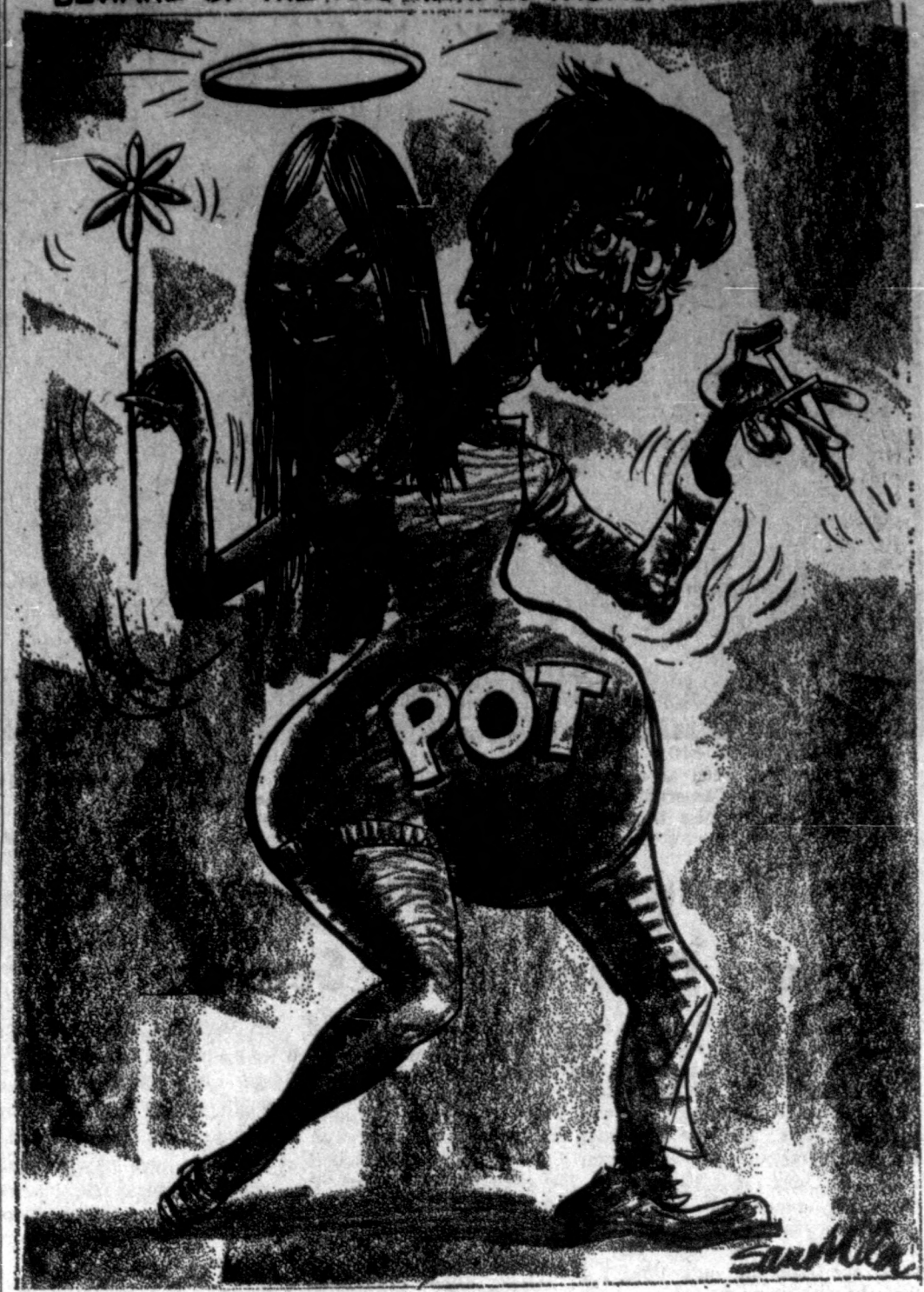
Last week as the reports of the killing of Fred Hampton filtered in, I began to wonder if we had come full circle. Have the lynch mob of my youth been replaced by the platoons of police? Have those "lawless whites" been succeeded today by a new breed of "lawful lynchers?"

These questions must be asked now but, more importantly, they must be answered now. The world must learn the truth.

While I am convinced that the struggle of black men for respect and power, for life and dignity, can not be won in this society at the point of a gun, I am also convinced that guns will not stop the struggle.

In politics, in economics, in education and in all other fields black men have really begun to move. There is a new awakening in black America, a new birth of hope, determination and confidence. No atrocities committed by any racists today are going to deter, detour nor delay this development.

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MY VIEW

Another Side Of Maddox

By BENJAMIN E. MAYS

I have not written much about Governor Maddox and what I have written it has not always been complimentary. I cannot erase from my mind his waving the axe handle and pistol in order to keep Negroes out of his restaurant. He is a staunch segregationist and he makes no effort to conceal the fact that he is an outstanding segregationist.

But there is a streak of human kindness in Maddox and he has some sympathy for the unfortunate. For the third year, Maddox has given prisoners a "Thanksgiving-Christmas Gift" by releasing them before their time in prison was up. The day before Thanksgiving, Governor Maddox gave 396 convicts an early release from 12 Georgia prisons. Some 1700 prisoners have received early releases from Maddox and only a very small percentage of the men have violated the confidence which the Governor expressed in them by releasing them before their time in prison was up. All of the 396 were due to remain in prison until some weeks after Christmas.

About 250 of the convicts were brought to Atlanta to hear the Governor deliver a speech on love in the Georgia House Chamber. The others were released from their respective prisons. It is estimated that the number set free Wednesday, the day before Thanksgiving, represents about five percent of the population that make up the state's prison population. All of the 396 would have served their time by February 28. After his speech Maddox shook hands

with the 250 including 20 women. One prisoner express his appreciation for early release by presenting Maddox a water color portrait of the Governor. He told the prisoners: "You have got to find a little more love in your life some way. — put a lot of your thinking into loving your family. — If you put your love of your family and your life first, you won't have to worry about coming back." He advised them to read the Bible.

Another piece of advice was given by Pardon and Parole Chief J. O. Partain who warned the freed prisoners, "Don't corrupt your own souls by feeling sorry for yourself." Partain admonished them further by telling them to beware of "the three W's — whiskey, wheels, and women." Most of the prisoners admitted that one of the W's or two or three W's had gotten them into trouble. Bill Shipp, reporter, wrote that one woman said that in her case, it was a man.

To be exact 1712 including the 396 have received early releases since the beginning of this practice in 1967. It is remarkable that only 37 have had to be returned to prison. Let us salute Governor Maddox for this kind act on behalf of the unfortunate prisoners. Each convict was given \$25 and a bus ticket home. The next problem will be to get jobs for the released men. It may be that a job for each prisoner who is released would reduce to the minimum those who get in trouble again and have to be returned to jail.

A Point Of View

By NAT D. WILLIAMS
SINGING THE BLUES

A right to return to blues singing seems relevant today for black Americans... locally, regionally, and nationally.

Locally, they have a right to sing the blues because of the action of the Shelby County Grand Jury last week. The Grand Jury handed down indictments against 19 individuals who have been conspicuous for their voicing of black grievances and protests relative to some conditions in Memphis.

The overwhelming majority of black Memphians and some fair-minded white Memphians are aghast at the grand jury's action. They feel the jury has made a mistake. The bonds of each of those indicted were reduced to the barest minimum by Judge Odell Horton.

And that was a sort of bright spot in the situation. The defendants didn't have to stay in jail. The defendants peacefully surrendered themselves... without incident. Several resolved to remain in jail for awhile to

emphasize their feelings and dramatize the situation for the rest of the community.

But the real damage to this community lies deeper. Granted the persons indicted may have led a movement that disrupted much of local routine. Granted that their "Black Monday" tactics were not universally accepted by many black and white citizens... the fact still remains that nobody came up with any other tactics that were as effective as those used by the Black Coalition.

At least they awakened everybody in town to the need for some changes to be made in the public education set-up. Less direct approaches had only led to a blank wall of procrastination and do-nothingness. And even though the coalition split as a payment for the return of community peace... and a cooling-off period... and to provide a change for more peaceful approaches to be tried... here comes the grand jury and muddies the water again.

The lasting damage done by the grand jury action is the creation of a deep and painful resentment among all thinking people... black and white. For one wonders what the grand jury action means. Does it mean somebody in high places was to remind the black community of who is "boss" in town?

Does it mean that somebody in high places feels hurt pride and affronted by the audacity of the 19 indicted persons in making "demands" on them and wants to get even?

Does it mean that those in authority want to appease the white racial Neanderthals of the White Citizens Council type, who are rabidly ranting on TV and other media, to be unleashed to pour the venom of race hatred on black people?

Literary Club Will Help Six Families

The Sreda Club was off to a good start when it sponsored its first effort through a Post Thanksgiving Benefit Brunch held at 1619 Shadowlawn, Saturday, November 29, 1969.

The Brunch was a gala affair for the friends present. The Club was organized on November 14, 1969, with a three fold purpose—reading, saving, and sharing. The members made plans to sponsor a Manahan, Mrs. Annie McField, two benefit programs each Mrs. Florida Thomas and year with all of the proceeds daughter Jeanie and Mrs. being used for the destitute, Loretta Preston.

Plans for savings were made and the department will be set up with each member contributing with his own funds according to his will, beginning in January 1970. The reading activities of the club include sharing of articles and excerpts from current books and magazines with a lively discussion and exchange of ideas at each meeting.

The members of the club, Mrs. H. M. Mesdames Hilda Massey, Frances Estes, Lucille Britt, Anna Belle Coleman, Ozzie Drain, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Harris, Alfreda Brack, and Melvina C. Buford, Mrs. R. Sanders, Mr. Brister Britt, Mr. Phil Hunt, Mrs. A. C. Carghill, Mrs. L. DeWalt, Mrs. B. Foster, Mrs. Juanita Turner, Mrs. V. B. Harris, Mrs. C. P. Tate, ch.



Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ramsey N.J.

The Ramseys have 20 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday evening, Nov. 29, by their five children in a 50th Wedding Anniversary reception held in the Student Center of LeMoynne-Owen College.

Honoring their parents were Mrs. Ethel B. Avery, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Vera L. Archibald, Memphis; Alvin L. Ramsey, Detroit; John R. Ramsey, Toledo, Ohio; and Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, James H. Ramsey, Montclair, at 1484 Pillow st.

FSU Adds To Staff

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C. — Science from the University of two persons have been added Michigan.

to the Charles W. Chestnutt Library staff at Fayetteville State University, Mrs. N. R. Smith, Librarian announced today.

Mrs. M. J. Lawrence is serving as Acquisition Librarian Science from Case-Western Reserve and Mrs. V. L. McCullough is serving University. The additions are a continuing effort to strengthen the Fort Benning, Georgia and services of the library, Mrs. hold the Masters of Library Smith said.

Mt. Nebo Church Is The Setting Of Miss Laverne Hill's Wedding

The Mt. Nebo Baptist Church was the setting for the recent wedding of Miss Laverne Hill and James Henry Davis, Jr. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Christine D. Hill and Willie M. Hill. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Doyle of 2566 Laguna.

The bride wore an original gown of white peau de soie and Chantilly lace, with empire bodice with a scoop neckline and long lace sleeves. The skirt was appliqued with motifs of matching lace and the chapel train was bordered in lace.

Her headpiece, a veil, secure in place with a bridal bow and tiny seed pearls in a sun burst design.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Miss Sandra Richardson was her maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Misses Peggy Lincoln, Phyllis McDonald, Claudia Donners and Patricia Clark, who wore floor-length gowns of majesty pink. Their bowed headresses with streams were of matching pink.

The flower girls were Cynthia Doyle, sister of the groom, and Theresa Hill, sister of the bride. The ringbearer was Edwin O'Neal Williams.

James Lewis was bestman, and groomsmen included Paul Averyhart, Bradie Clayton, Charles Small and Michael Hawkins. Gary Deberry served as an usher.

Officiating at the ceremony was Dr. Roy Love, pastor of the church. Music was presented by Miss Sherry C. Crump, organist, and Mrs. Dollye Love, vocalist.

A reception was held immediately following the wedding at the Holiday Inn-Riverbluff.

Among the guests were A.J. Hill, paternal grandfather of the bride; Mrs. Ruby Daniel, maternal grandmother of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. James Daniel, Greenville, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. James O. Allen, Mrs. Cary Watson, Miss Barbara Doyle, all sisters of the groom; Sharon Doyle and Miss Ada Doyle, all sister of the groom; Miss Lillian Caples and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Doyle.

And Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson, Willie Hunt, Shelby, Miss.; Mrs. B. A. E. Calloway, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Clark, Mrs. Marguerite Cox, Mrs. Frank Sims, Mrs. Artha Richardson, Mrs. Ruby Rowell, Mrs. Marguerite Wallace, Fred Franklin, Miss Velma Middleton, Miss Willie Jean Marion, Arthur Dewitt Robinson, Robert Franks, Jr., Miss Patsy Tools, Miss Gloria Renfro, Miss Margie McDonald, Mrs. Cary Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Tolbert, Miss Doris Cox, Miss Rochelle Cox, Miss Ernestine Daniel, Mrs. Ophelia Jenkins, Miss Toni Johnson, Miss Emma Herndon, Rev. and Mrs. Douglass Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Edings.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Jenkins, Leslie Rawls, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Simmons, Mrs. Flora Jones, Miss Hattie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harris, Rev. and Mrs. James Moyner, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hunter, Mrs. Annie Bowman, Mrs. Irene Henderson, Mrs. James Roberson, Mrs. Luther C. King, Jr., Frisby Murphy, Pete Roberts, Marshall Heard, L.I. Washington, Mrs. Laveria Marshall, Miss Sherry Crump, Mrs. Bill Crump, Mrs. Jessie Perino and Denise; Mrs. Mozella Williams and Stanley, Mrs. Roberta Brown, Mrs. Roberta Young and Mrs. Melbida Porter.

And Langston Branch, Miss Evelyn Smith, Miss Betty Greer, Lonnie Robinson, Miss Ethel Daniel, Miss Jacqueline Williams, Miss Carolyn Jackson,

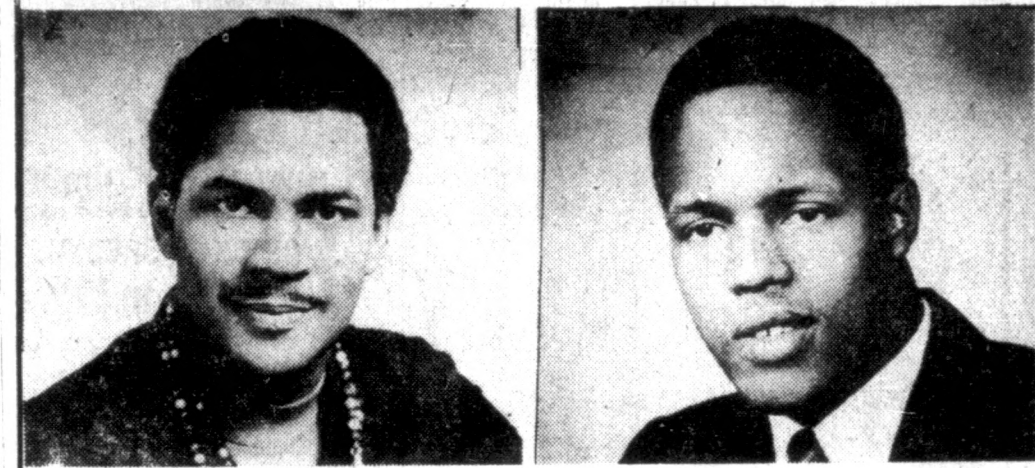
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Baker, Mrs. Earl Mimms, Mrs. James Taylor, Miss Martha Douglas and Gary Deberry.

Others were Miss Gloria Ann Renfro, Ed Johnson, Miss Alma Johnson, Miss Joe Ann Wilson, William Rhodes, Mrs. Carolyn B. Flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williams, Chester Smith, Miss Jeraldine Booker, Miss Roberta Austin, Miss Juanita Longmire, Dwight Deberry, Mrs. Roxie Dickerson, Jesse Harris, Mrs. Mary Cooley, Mrs. Grozelia Neal and Mrs. Lillian Barnett.

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Her experience with the Pearl Bailey show proved to her that she had the ability, and when she returned to her native Detroit, she had made up her mind that show business was really for her.

Shortly afterward, she again won an audition. This time for the inimitable master, Duke Ellington. Duke wanted to sign her to a long-term con-

tract but her mother felt she was too young to travel for long periods with the band.

However, she did consent for Freda to play Las Vegas with the band. At the time Freda was only 18. She was featured vocalist with Duke's band at the Riviera Hotel.

After the engagement with Duke, she remained in Las Vegas. She began working as a single at the San Souce Hotel. There she met Mack Ferguson who was a family friend from Detroit. Mack was an exceptionally fine pianist and began to work on her style.

Shortly afterward, she developed a severe case of tonsillitis and returned home. Far from being discouraged, she made up her mind to go to New York. She wanted to develop her style with some of New York's top vocal coaches.

While in New York, she took another audition. This time for Joe Louis, the former world boxing champion who was putting together a show. He

signed her and she was off to an extended tour.

Quincy Jones then signed her for her first appearance at the Apollo Theatre. There she shared the bill with Quincy and Billy Eckstine. She was so well received that Quincy asked her to play a show in Chicago.

She signed her first recording contract with ABC Paramount. Her biggest success was the bossa nova hit "Slightly Out of Tune."

While this record was getting exposure, she played the Elegant Room in Brooklyn. It was there that Larry Steele, veteran producer of Smart Affairs at Club Harlem in Atlantic City, heard her and signed her as a star for the Club Harlem Revue.

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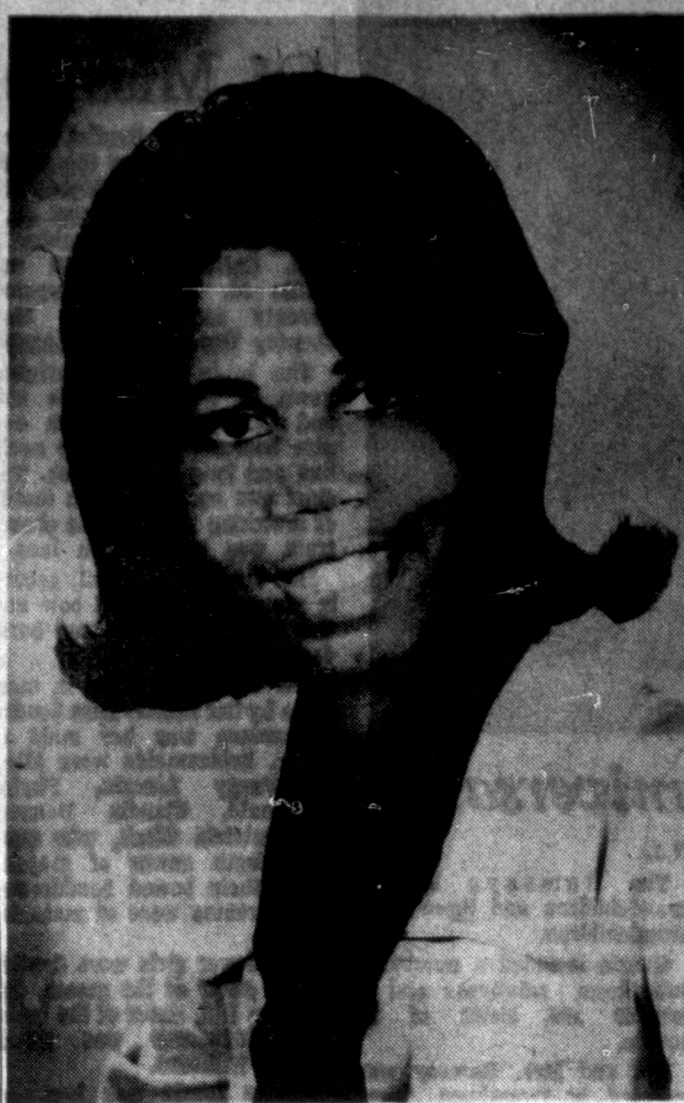
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Miss Peace Planning For Pre-Yule Wedding

Of widespread interest is the announcement of the forthcoming wedding of Miss Shirley Annette Peace and Donnell Roosevelt Cobbins. The announcement is being made by the bride elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Morris Peace, of 4819 Horn Lake Road.

The wedding will be solemnized Monday, December 22, at the Metropolitan Baptist Church with the Pastor, the Rev. S. A. Owen officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Peace will honor the couple with a reception immediately following the ceremony in the social hall of the church.

Miss Peace is a senior at Memphis State University where she is a member of Epsilon Kappa Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and a member of the American Market Association.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Fr. Bertrand High School. While in high school she was president of the Memphis and Shelby County Junior Red Cross. Miss Peace was a member of the Memphis Chapter Co-Ette Club, Inc. and was "Miss Co-Ette" in 1965. She was a Living Ad of the J.U.G.S., Inc., and was presented as a debutante by Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

The bride-elect serves as an Advisor of the Co-Ette Club and is employed as an auditing clerk in the Tri-State Bank of Memphis. Miss Peace is a member of

a family that has long been associated in business in Memphis. Her father is the owner of Peace Realty Company. She is the maternal granddaughter of Mrs. Moses Jefferson Lynam and the late Mr. Lynam. Her paternal grandparents were the late Mr. and Mrs. Moses Marquette Peace of Mississippi.

Mr. Cobbins, presently a manager-trainee with the Montgomery Ward Department Store in St. Paul, Minnesota, is a graduate of LeMoyne-Owen College. He is the son of Mrs. Thelma Cobbins, 981 Leath Street and Theodore Cobbins of New York City.

While at LeMoyne-Owen the groom elect was an honorary member of Phi Epsilon Pi Social Fraternity, president of the Sophomore and Junior classes, and second Vice-President of the Student Government Association during his junior year.

During his junior year he was also an exchange student at the University of Iowa. He was a host for college news programs on WMPB and WNC Radio Stations and president of the Student Government Association during his Senior year.

Mr. Cobbins is an honor graduate of Manassas High School. He is the maternal grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brooks and the paternal grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cobbins all of Memphis.

Post Bond For Gatch

HAMPTON, S. C. — (UPI) — An attorney posted \$10,000 bond Monday for Dr. Donald Gatch, a poverty fighter charged with violating state drug laws.

Gatch, hospitalized for treatment of malnutrition in Asheville, N. C., probably will go on trial during a special court term beginning Jan. 5, according to Randolph Murdaugh, solicitor of the 14th Judicial Circuit.

Gatch is charged with four violations of South Carolina drug laws. He claims that the charges were efforts to smear him because of his work with the poor.

Gatch attracted national attention by pointing out the disease and hunger problems of the poor. He led Sen. Ernest F. Hollins, D-S.C. on a poverty tour of the state last year and Hollins later launched a crusade to bring federal aid to the poor in Beaufort County.

Gatch is accused of improperly dispensing drugs, and with improper personal use of prohibited drugs.

The attorney who posted the bond was Harry Hulse of Washington, who represented Gatch. Murdaugh said he did not know when Gatch would be released from the hospital, but apparently he will be able to attend the trial.

Judy Roberts Is London House Star

Judy Roberts, one of Chicago's favorite jazz singers, will display her talents when she takes over the headlines position at the LONDON HOUSE for one week beginning Monday, Dec. 15.

Miss Roberts, well known throughout the city for her outstanding piano and vocal talents, has been the regular house trio at Chicago's Great Steak House for the last four months.

Born and raised in Chicago, Judy started playing piano as a child, receiving all her musical education from her father, a jazz guitarist who once arranged for Fletcher Henderson and Count Basie.

Judy has performed throughout the city and has become one of the most welcome fixtures in leading jazz clubs on Chicago's South Side, Rush Street and Old Town areas. She has made appearances on the "Joey Bishop" and "Steve Allen" shows.



Yule Season Wedding Is Planned By Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Boyland of Arlington, Tennessee, announce the engagement and forthcoming wedding of their daughter, Miss Allie Macklin to Leo M. Gray Jr., son of Rev. and Mrs. Leo M. Gray Sr., of Memphis, Tennessee. The couple has chosen December 27, 1969 as the wedding date.

Miss Macklin is a 1966 graduate of Barret's Chapel High School where she was a member of a number of organizations including the National Honor Society, F.B.L.A., Better Youth Organization and P.E.P. Squad. Finishing third in her class, she matriculated at Lane College in the Fall of '66.

Presently, Miss Macklin is a senior at Lane majoring in business administration. Recently selected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities," she is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society.

The groom-elect is a 1964 graduate of Hamilton High School, where he starred in football and baseball. Leo is also a 1968 graduate of Lane College.

While at Lane he was selected, "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities." Sweetheart of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and President of the Senior class. The groom-elect's Greek affiliation is the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Presently, he is employed at Lane as the Director of Public Relations and Alumni.

The marriage ceremony will take place at the Greater White Stone Baptist Church, 917 S.

Argyles Making Comeback

Geometry figures big in the winter parade of male legs dressed by designers in warm washable knit socks in ankle and knee lengths. Taking a tip from the fashion world, home knitters can get their needles clicking for the men on their Christmas lists.

The biggest news is that argyles are making a comeback. Knit them in high or low styles, in subtle shades or bright color combinations.

Other fancy patterns to consider include thick and thin stripes, herringbones, chevrons, tattersalls, and windowpanes.

If the man in question does his own washing at the laundromat, it might be wise to choose machine-washable and dryable nylon or acrylic yarns.

Of course, wool socks are also machine-washable, but need a hint more care via cool water and a gentle wash.

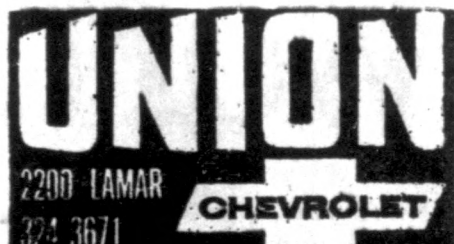


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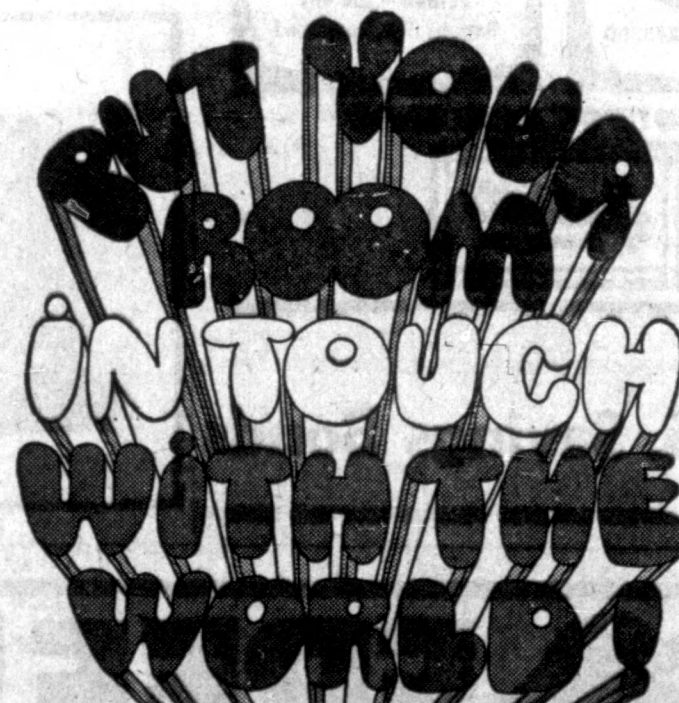
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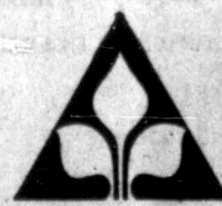
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Labor Department In Battle To Hold Contract Compliance Unit

WASHINGTON — Arthur Fletcher, the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Wages and Standards in the U. S. Department of Labor, is fighting to keep the Federal Contract Compliance Office under his jurisdiction, rather than have it transferred to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission as some advocates are pressing for. "If they take it away from here," said the strapping, six-foot-three, former football player, "the ball game is over as far as cracking open the construction industry for Blacks and other minorities."

Fletcher, the author of the controversial Philadelphia Plan has earned a reputation since taking his job as a two-fisted, blunt-talking fighter who prefers to stay on the offensive. Ironically, he is in disagreement over the place of the OFEC with the NAACP which favors the transfer to EEOC. Fletcher thinks the association is influenced by the attitude of the AFL-CIO which along with the NAACP is a part of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, a coalition of some 100 organizations. The AFL-CIO is a heavy contributor to the conference. Paradoxically, Fletcher is the adversary because of the hostility of the powerful building and construction trade unions within the AFL-CIO to the Philadelphia Plan.

Basically it requires that contractors must hire a pro-rated quota of minority workers for higher-paying skilled jobs for each contract awarded. The AFL-CIO opposed the plan as reverse discrimination and contrary to union policies, but Fletcher bluntly says, "Let's face it. The only way we're going to break this deadlock on employment is to give these brothers the jobs that will let them provide a decent living for their families and it takes quotas to do it, that's it period." So far, Fletcher has had the backing of Secretary of Labor George Shultz and he says that if the day should come when he doesn't have administration support, he'll pick up his marbles and go back to his home in the State of Washington where he had established himself in Republican politics.

Fletcher's main deputy is John Wilks, a San Francisco public relations man, who came here to direct the contract compliance office. He and Fletcher are seeking to extend the Philadelphia Plan to Boston. A field staff is making a survey on manpower supply in the area and a skilled crafts training program. The success of the program says Fletcher depends upon the leadership in the black community and the cooperation between contractor, unions, state, county and federal governments.

OFFC has only a staff of 27 people, 11 of them professionals so its resources are limited. Fletcher has sought and is getting some help from other agencies to do the field work necessary. In Boston, the particular emphasis centers around new construction at Tufts University. There have been demonstrations by black and counter-demonstrations by white construction workers and their sympathizers.

Opposition to both the Boston Plan and the Philadelphia Plan comes from the Comptroller General, Elmer Staats, who is backed up by Sens. Paul Fannon, Arizona and John McClellan, Arkansas. Staats is making good his pledge to the conservative element.

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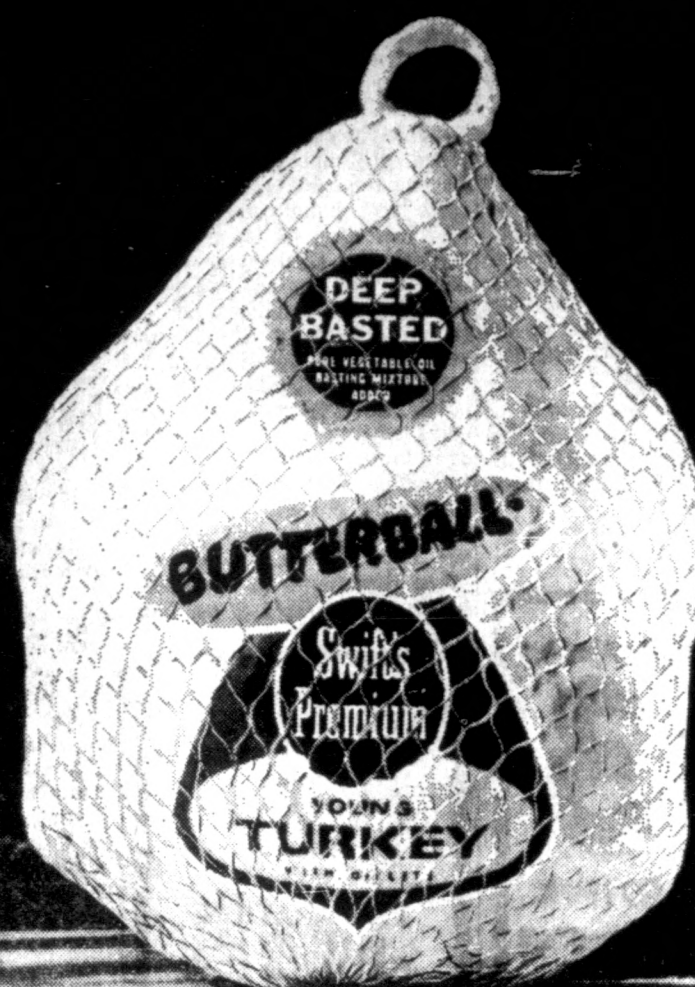
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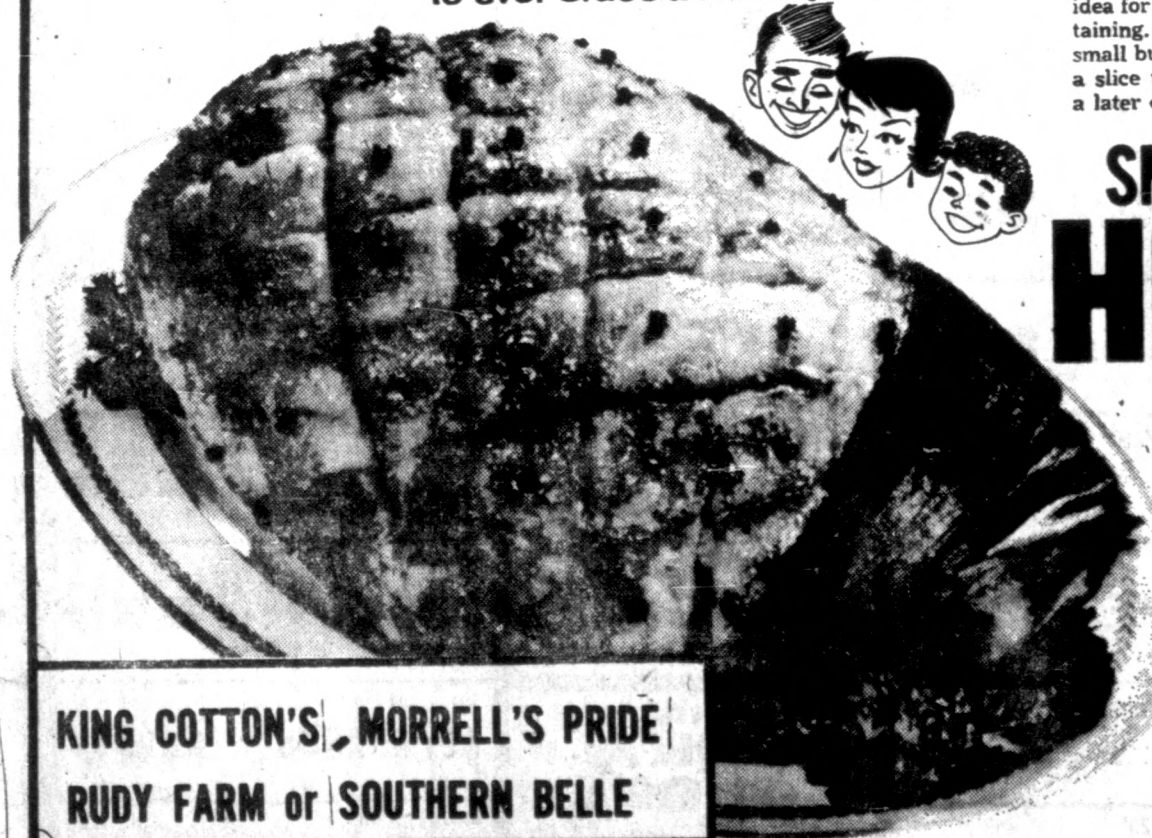
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N.C. Mutual Ins. Co. Announced Promotion Of 3 Vice Prexys

Joseph W. Goodloe, president and chief executive officer of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, announced the Board of Directors' elevation of three vice presidents to senior vice presidencies. They are: W. A. Clement, CLU, Agency Vice President; W. J. Kennedy, III, Financial Vice President and Maceo A. Sloan, CLU, Vice President Home Office Operations.

In making the announcement Goodloe recalled that, "Four years ago the Board of Directors approved a long-range plan of organizational restructuring. In 1965, when we moved into our present building the first stage of re-organization was affected. At that time our various work units were grouped into seven organizational components or departments."

"With the progress effected during the interim we are now at the point wherein we can implement a second stage of organizational development. Three of our vice presidents are now being assigned additional responsibilities as a means of stimulating further growth and accelerating progress as we prepare our organization for the decade of the seventies."

"In their new roles as senior vice presidents they will more actively share in top-level administrative responsibility in their assigned areas and, believe, implement company growth and progress. Each of these men brings a vast reservoir of training, personal knowledge and experience to his assignment."

Alphas

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muda and England.

Its activities and projects include: Citizenship Week, Education Week, Founders' Day, Grants, Scholarship, fellowships, Undergraduate Loans and Housing. It is affiliated with the N.A.A.C.P., National Pan-Hellenic Council, United Negro College Fund and National Housing Discrimination Committee. It is active in the fight for Civil Rights and Total Integration.

The public at large will be welcomed at the program. Hosea Alexander is general chairman, Ernest L. Young, president of chapter.

Knights

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continue to be manifested by other concerned citizens of Memphis and Shelby County. Mr. Strong also stated that for many years, we have been able to give much help to the needy at Christmas time, but this year has been a very difficult one. We hope however, to be able to carry out our proposed program to insure that all poor, homeless, blind, crippled and handicapped people who call upon us for food and clothing for Christmas will be helped. Let us not forget to capture the freedom that is guaranteed to us by the constitution, but those freedoms cannot be realized until the bonds of poverty, which have enslaved many of our people, are totally eradicated. It is our hope and prayer that all concerned citizens of our city will join with us and together we hope to make Christmas more meaningful to the underprivileged families of our community.

Abernathy

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FREEDOM of our people.

We can do all things in Him who strengthens us.

Your brother, Ralph David Abernathy, President Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Prior to his departure from Atlanta Thursday the Rev. Abernathy will hold a press conference at his West Hunter Street Baptist Church. A caravan of friends and well wishers will escort him to the airport for his departure to Memphis.

There will be a rally Wednesday December 17, at 8 p.m. in the Clayborne Temple, in readiness for Rev. Abernathy's arrival. The Memphis Chapter Southern Christian Leadership Conference is in the middle of its campaign for memberships. Memberships are \$1.00 each. The chapter is planning a special rally January 15, the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., founder of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference who was assassinated April 4, 1968 in Memphis. Dr. King was in the city at that time in support of the city's Sanitation Workers in Local 1733 of AFSCME who were striking for a pay raise.

BUY BONDS

Three Indicted In Ring Query

NEW YORK — (UPI) — Assistant District Attorney Alfred Scotti handed up three indictments against light-heavyweight Frankie DePaula, Joseph Calabro, also known as Joe Carlo, and James (Jimmy Nap) Napoli today, touching off boxing's first major scandal in a decade.

Scotti said the June 5, 1969 Grand Jury returned the indictments in connection with an investigation to determine whether the individuals were involved in "bribery, sports bribery, grand larceny by extortion, usury, and promoting gambling."

DePaula was charged with perjury in the first degree on four counts, Calabro with perjury in four counts and criminal contempt on two counts and Napoli with perjury on seven counts and criminal contempt. The primary bouts brought under scrutiny were Nino Benvenuti's non-title fight against Dick Tiger on May 26, 1969 and DePaula's unsuccessful title fight against Bob Foster on Jan. 22, 1969.

Under the indictments, it is charged that DePaula and his manager Gary Garafola had conferred with Napoli and that Benvenuti and his manager Bruno Amaducci had Calabro as their guest on numerous occasions and that he was associated with them since 1967.

DePaula, who was stopped on three knockdowns in the second round by Foster, allegedly was asked for some change for the hat check girl by Garafola at a post-fight party. "You're kidding," DePaula is reputed to have said. "I scored today. All I got is hundreds."

DePaula was not to receive his purse until the following morning. "It became materially unnecessary to ascertain whether the defendant received the money from James Napoli for not putting out his best effort," Scotti said, because DePaula testified before the grand jury

that he had not made such a statement to Garafola.

It also alleged that Napoli and Garafola had met prior to the bout against Foster, on several occasions. Both Napoli and Calabro are reportedly linked with the Mafia.

McFerren

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up and pinned my arms behind me while the others started after McFerren.

McFerren began running in the direction of his store on the outskirts of town, and the man who was holding me turned me loose and joined the chase for McFerren, who managed to run about three-quarters of a mile before the five caught him and severely beat him.

The five men were reportedly arrested later in the day and charged with disorderly conduct and fighting. But John McFerren was also arrested for disorderly conduct and ordered to appear in court on Tuesday morning on the charge.

The attack on McFerren only served to illustrate that whites are using blacks in an effort to break up the boycott of stores in the area which began last July after a white grocer and his son attacked a black mother and her two daughters after they had almost collided with a boy driving a truck.

The boy, Gerald Pulliam was subsequently found guilty of the charges in Juvenile Court, but the Fayette County Grand Jury refused to indict his father, Julian Pulliam. His grocery store was later boycotted out of business.

Mr. McFerren said blacks under the direction of whites have even attacked white women picketing in the square, and the law enforcement officers there have not prevented such attacks.

McFerren reported that on last Saturday night, several blacks came to his store armed with pistols and attempted to provoke him to the point where they could shoot him and then plead self-defense.

essions since 1957, Scotti said. The indictments also stated Amaducci and Calabro conferred with Napoli on May 12, 1969, before a bout between Emile Griffith and Stanley Hayward.

Benvenuti's upset loss to Tiger occurred only two weeks later.

There was another meeting between Amaducci and Matthew "Matty" the Horse" Iannello just prior to the Tiger-Benvenuti bout, Scotti said, and Iannello was introduced by Calabro.

Benvenuti lost the Tiger fight by a decision after entering the bout as a 2-1 favorite. After the fight he revealed a broken knuckle on his right hand and guest, paying his travel and living expenses, on several occasions.



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Hand-delivered entries may be brought to Cathcart's Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays until noon, from January 9 through 23.

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The High Museum is presenting this year's show in conjunction with the American Federation of Arts, and The Drawing Society, a national foundation comprised of artists, museum curators, and collectors.

Exhibitions similar to the High Museum's 24th SOUTHEASTERN ANNUAL EXHIBITION are being held this spring at other museums throughout the United States. Drawings selected from the High Museum show and the other regional museums will form a national exhibition of drawings to be circulated by the A. F. A. beginning in the fall of 1970.

Former Memphian Gets Post At Tobacco Firm

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company has named a black executive, Charles E. (Chuck) Lewis, national manager of special markets.

In his newly created position, Lewis will advise RJRs' management on techniques to improve tobacco product sales in special markets, and assist the marketing department in solving broader problems related to sales in these areas. One of Lewis' primary responsibilities will be to analyze and evaluate on-the-scene sales problems and advise all levels of management of workable solutions to these problems. This is not limited to advice and counsel to black management, but to all management who have special marketing problems.

He will also participate in conferences and expositions, assist in the sales department's recruiting program, and provide advice and assistance to management in the career development of sales representatives.

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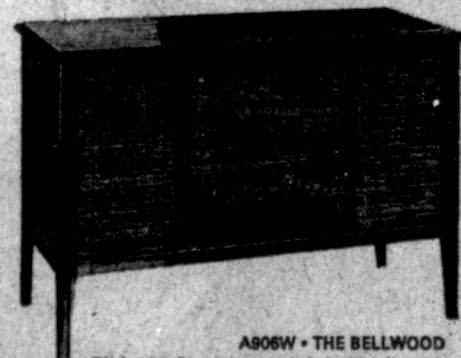


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